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# Faculty Senate NEWS BRIEF

The purpose of the Faculty Senate **News Brief** is to keep faculty informed about Faculty Senate meetings. Agendas and minutes of meetings can be accessed by clicking on the [Faculty Senate Homepage](#).

## FROM THE SENATE MEETING ON APRIL 27, 2022

The **Faculty Senate (FS)** unanimously approved the promotion of Andy Kramer to Senate Archivist. Dr. Kramer will replace Dr. William Fridley, who is retiring. Dr. Fridley served as FS Archivist from 2011-2022. The **Planning Committee (PC)** presented Dr. Fridley with a plaque recognizing his twenty years of service to the Faculty Senate.

The FS offered reactions and comments on the last 2021-2022 Shared Governance Forum topic: [Faculty's Role in Building a "Student Ready Campus."](#) Senators acknowledged that, regarding "student-readiness," there are some holes at the university that need to be filled. But we need to identify specifically what these holes are and acknowledged the need for university-wide learning goals that will help provide guidance. Most importantly, we need support instructors and professors who are responsible for teaching our general education classes.

Considering recent miscommunications regarding speakers on campus, the **Personnel Policies Committee (PPC)**, building on President Newsom's email "Process for Political Candidates on Campus" (4/4/2022), developed a proposed policy for invited guest speakers. The FS unanimously approved this policy recommendation, which requires the inclusion of a disclaimer explicitly stating that "*The university does not endorse any political candidate or party.*"

The FS unanimously approved a recommendation to request that a policy for the use of academic coaches (and pay for instructors in lieu of coaches) in online classes be submitted by Dean Blackwood and VPAA Golden to the FS for review in early Fall 2022. This policy is important because the use of academic coaches and pay for instructors in lieu of coaches has been implemented differently across campus over the years.

The FS also voted to approve the [2022-2023 academic year appointments for University Committees and Councils](#) compiled by the **Committee on Committees (CoC)**. Please refer to the recent email from Senator Randy Clark dated 4/28/2022 to review these appointments. The CoC reminds all FS Committees and University Committees and Councils to send Minutes and End-of-the-Year Reports to the FS Archivist by 5/1.

The FS also unanimously approved a recommendation to preserve the documents located on the FS website. This recommended policy will only allow the removal of material from the website after the Faculty Senate grants explicit approval after a review period of at least two weeks.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS**

The 2021-2022 **Faculty Senate Survey** will be available to complete between 5/5 and 5/20. Be on the lookout for this survey – your responses will help us shape the future of shared governance at SE!

**The next Faculty Senate meeting will be in the fall via Zoom.** Faculty members are always invited and welcome to attend meetings of the Faculty Senate. Please visit the [Faculty Senate website](#) for detailed information concerning *your* representative body!

**This Faculty Senate News Brief was produced by the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate: Kay Daigle, chair; Kate Shannon, chair-elect; Randy Clark, past chair; Stan Alluisi, treasurer; William Fridley, archivist; Matthew Sparacio, recorder; Chaehyun Lee, parliamentarian.**